



S.J.Res. 8 - Providing for the reappointment of Patricia Q. Stonesifer as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution

Floor Situation

S.J.Res. 8 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Senator Patrick Leahy (D-VT) on March 8, 2007. The bill was referred to the Committee on House Administration on August 1, 2007, but was not considered.

S.J.Res. 8 is expected to be considered on the floor on December 5, 2007.

Summary

S.J.Res. 8 reappoints Patricia Q. Stonesifer to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution for a term of six years effective December 22, 2007.

Background

The Board of Regents for the Smithsonian consists of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the Vice President, three Senators, three Representatives, and eight private citizens.

Patricia Q. Stonesifer was appointed to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution in 2001.

Patricia Q. Stonesifer is the Chair of the Governance Committee, a newly established standing Committee of the Board of Regents. She also serves as chair of the Nominations Committee and as a member of the Audit and Review Committee. She serves as the CEO of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. She has held a number of jobs in the private sector including working for DreamWorks, Microsoft and Amazon.com.

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